

his wife, Lorraine, five grandchildren, Ashley, Natassia, Leslie & Madison and his nieces and nephews.

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MARY COVINGTON SMITH, 85, of Houston passed away peacefully Thursday, October 18, 2001. Mary was born on January 13, 1916 in Reagan, Texas and moved to Houston early age. She was a longtime resident of Bellaire and a member of First United Methodist Church. Mary was preceded in death by her husband, H. Adrian Smith and her two daughters, Betty Boykin Fowler and Jean Bolz. She is survived by her son, Stephen Adrian Smith, sister, Loraine Covington Smith of Chevy Chase, MD and nieces, nephews, great nieces and great-great-nieces and nephews. Funeral Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 23, 2001 in the chapel of Memorial Oaks Funeral Home, 13001 Katy Freeway with Rev. Betsy Adams officiating. Interment Services will follow in Memorial Oaks Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 570127, Houston, TX 77257 or the American Kidney Fund, Executive Blvd., Suite 1010, Rockville, MD 20852.

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13001 Katy Freeway

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ROSELYN COOKE SPRINGER, 74 of Pearland, entered into rest on Thursday, October 18, 2001. She was born February 7, 1927 in Granger, TX and moved to Houston in the 1940's. She and her family moved to Pearland in 1970. She was a member of Shady Baptist Church in Pearland. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe H. Springer and her son Michael D. Springer. She is survived by her daughter, Carol A. Spencer and Roger A. Ratisseau; son, David W. Springer and wife Rita; granddaughter, Maria L. Summerson and husband Danny; grandson, Mac D. Springer and wife Lori; great granddaughter, Brenda Nicole Springer; brother, James R. Cooke Jr. Visitation will be Monday, October 22, 2001 at 5pm at SouthPark Funeral Home 1310 N. Main Pearland 77581. Funeral services will be Tuesday, October 23, 2001 at 11am at SouthPark Funeral Home with Pastor Steve Daily officiating. Interment will follow at SouthPark Cemetery.

SouthPark HWY. 35
281-485-2711

IN MEMORIAM

CRAIG HOWARD STEVENSON

July 13, 1915

October 10, 2001

Prominent businessman and Port Arthur native CRAIG HOWARD STEVENSON passed away at his home October 10th after a lengthy illness. Stevenson's family was among the early settlers of southeast Texas when both of his grandparents moved to Port Arthur in the latter part of the 19th century. His long career spanned over 50 years and took him from an insurance business to real estate development and, ultimately, to the maritime industry as chairman and chief executive officer of **Sabine Towing and Transportation Company**. After retirement in the early 1980s, Stevenson continued to pursue an active life in the community and in the maritime industry in Port Arthur and nearby Galveston County until the day of his passing.

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affairs and community service in Port Arthur and north Jefferson County until the of his death. Stevenson was born in Port Arthur on July 13, 1915, the son of Mabel Eu Tomlinson and Charles Ralph Stevenson. As a high school student, he worked as an assistant at the Gulf Refinery plant in Port Arthur, where his father was General Plant Manager and Assistant Treasurer of Gulf Oil Corporation. He graduated with a B.A. in history from the University of Texas at Austin in 1939 and was owner of Craig Stevenson Insurance and Investments until 1942, when he entered the O.C.S. of the United States Navy. In World War II, he served as the Commanding Officer of a submarine chase convoy duty; following the war, he was appointed Commanding Officer of the Naval Reserve unit in Port Arthur. In 1948, Stevenson co-founded Burton Construction and Shipbuilding Corporation, where he remained a vice president and co-owner until 1951. In the same year, he founded Crechow Towing Company. As president and owner of Inland of Port Arthur, Stevenson developed residential and commercial real estate projects in Port Arthur, Nederland, and Beaumont. He was instrumental in the formation of banks and savings and loan associations in Texas and Louisiana. In 1964 he was named vice president and a member of the board of directors of **Sabine Towing and Transportation Company Inc.**, and was subsequently appointed chairman and chief executive officer in 1971. Stevenson was a 32nd degree Mason, Scottish and York rites, as well as Shriner. His memberships additionally included board memberships at Merchants National Bank, Chromalloy American Corporation (now **Sequa Corporation**), Nicklos Oil and Gas of Houston Line of St. Louis, Missouri Barge Line, American Transit Corporation, and Fidelity and Loan Association, among others. He was chairman of the Marine Transportation Committee with the Chromalloy American Corporation. Past and current memberships include Bachelor Club, Lamar State College of Port Arthur Foundation, Lamar Foundation of Beaumont, Sabine Propeller Club, Westgulf Maritime Association, American Bureau of Shipping, Gulf Intracoastal Canal Association, American Legion, United States Naval Reserve, and Texas Society of Crippled Children, where he was president in the late 1950s. Stevenson was honored as Maritime Man of the Year by the Sabine Propeller Club in 1970. He was a benefactor and supporter of the Hughen School, the Salvation Army, and Lamar University in Port Arthur and Beaumont. He and his wife Lily were the principal benefactors of the Rauschenberg Gallery at the Museum of the Gulf Coast. He was a member and trustee of the Presbyterian Church of the Covenant. "Wife and children followed his passion and purpose," said one family friend. Stevenson is survived by wife Lily Hansen; daughters Beverly Ann Stevenson and husband Arthur Thomas Edwards II, Antonio, Linda Elaine Stevenson, of Port Arthur, and Sylvia Astrid Stevenson and husband Jeffrey Allan Williams, of Port Neches; sons Craig Howard, Jr. and wife Adair Boo Stevenson, of Greenwich, Connecticut, and Scott Alan Stevenson, of Port Arthur; granddaughters Ashley Bookout Stevenson and Lauren Elaine Williams; grandsons Geoffrey Stevenson Edwards and wife Pat, Jonathan Thomas Edwards and fiancée Linda Fields, Jeremy Dylan Moore and wife Lindsay, Jordan Allan Williams, and Craig H. Stevenson III; and great-granddaughter Avery Nicole Moore.

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ARTEMAS E. "ART" STROTHER, 88, let his petition be known unto the Lord and the doors of heaven were open to welcome him in on October 19, 2001. He was born 8-10-1912 in Oakdale, LA and humbly served in the Army Air Force from 1941 to 1945. He is preceded in death by his first wife: Pauline L. Strother, second wife: Eva

